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1. The 82nd session of the Cahaba Baptist Association met with Centreville Church, at Centreville, Ala, at 10 o'clock, a. m., September 19th, 1900.

2 Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. W. Haggard.

3. The Moderator and Clerk being absent Rev. J. W. Haggard called the body to order.

4. E. P. George was elected Temporary Moderator and W. W. Lee was elected Temporary Clerk.

5. The moderator appointed Rev. J. A. McCrary and Rev. J. W. Mitchel to read the church letters.

6. The churches were represented as follows:

LIST OF CHURCHES AND DELEGATES.

Antioch—J. W. Haggard, W. F. Roberts.

Bethel—J. W. Mitchel, N. H. Thompson, C. D. James, C. C. Harris.

Bethlehem—S. Smitherman, W. Massey, D. A. Rogers, J. W. Curry, W. T. Warren and L. G. Warren.

Centreville—R. McKinley, J. H. Lee, J. C. Suttle.

Concord—James Waters.

Ephesus—J. S. Morton, C. S. Hughes.

Fellowship—J. T. Curb, L. R. Montz, J. W. Haggard, W. A. Curb, Mrs. Massingale, Miss Sue Curb, Miss Sallie Curb, Miss Grace Curb, Miss Sallie Carter.

Fellowship—Miss Anna Tariff, Miss Idelle Friday, Miss Estelle Friday, Miss Minnie Seymour, W. H. Friday.

Friendship--J. D. Halsenback, T. A. Mitchell, D. M. Moore.
Gallion—Letter. No delegate.
Greensboro—D. W. Ward, W. W. Lee.
Harmony—J. M. McCarter.
Hepzibah—Not represented.
Hopewell—J. I. Kendrick, J. R. Hogue, Mrs. J. R. Hogue.
Macedonia—Letter. No delegate.
Mar's Hill—J. H. Pitts.
Moundville—T. D. Geddie, W. P. Phifer, L. H. Hester.
Mt. Gilead—J. M. McCraw.
Mt. Hebron—J. R. Holbrook. W. N. Holston, Mrs. W. N. Holston.
Mt. Olive—A. Miller, Jasper Slone.
Mt. Zion—Letter. No delegate.
Newbern—W. L. Dyer.
New Hope—Not represented.
New Shiloh—A. P. Hall.
Oak Grove—Not represented.
Ocmulgee—J. A. McCrary, S. M. Smith, N. T. Quarles.
Pine Flat—E. P. George, Ed. Searles, W. T. Farley and Mrs. W. T. Farley.
Pine Grove—Letter. No delegate.
Pisgah—S. J. Fuller, W. T. Davis.
Sardis—Not represented.
Siloam—H. C. Sanders, J. A. Howard, J. B. Lovelace, Paul V. Bomar.
Stewarts—J. D. Halsenbach, T. A. Mitchel, D. M. Moore.
Union—Letter. No delegate.
Uniontown—Not represented

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W. W. Lee, Greensboro, Ala.; E. E. George, Alabama City; J. H. McCrary, Augustine, Ala; H. R. Schramm, Stewart's Sta., Ala.; Paul V. Bomar, Marion, Ala,; R. G. Patrick. D.D., Marion, Ala.; J. A. Howard, Marion, Ala.; J. W. Haggard, Morgan Springs Ala.; J. W. Mitchell, Jamesville, Ala.; J B. Poole, Brush Creek, Ala.; T. S. Bolling, Theo, Ala.; J. I. Kendrick, Marion, Ala.; J. W. Dunaway, Perryville, Ala.

7. The temporary organization was declared permanent by a unanimous vote.

8. Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

9. Association reassembled at 1:30 p. m. and was led in prayer by W. B. Crumpton.

10. Correspondents were called for and the following

were received: W. B. Crumpton, State Board of Missions; J. B. Shelton, Montgomery Association; P. G. Moness, Th. D. Unity Association; J. A. Howard, Alabama Baptist.

11. The pastor and deacons of Centreville Church were appointed a Committee on Devotional Exercises, and were instructed to arrange for introductory sermon.

12. The moderator appointed D. J. Frazer, John Hogue, S J Fuller a committee on Finance.

13. Report on Education was deferred until the 20th. (*See Item* 58.)

14. The following committees were appointed to report at the present session of the Association: J. I. Kendrick on Foreign Missions; H C. Sanders on Sunday Schools; J. B. Shelton on Literature; E. E. George on Ministerial Education.

15. Committee on Devotion submitted report as follows: Dr. P. G. Moness, Introductory Semon; P. V. Bomar, Missionary Sermon.

16. Rev. W. B. Crumpton upon the invitation of the Association spoke to the body at this time.

17. Letter of petition from Moundville church was read and the Association received the church into the membership of the body, and the moderator gave the messengers from the church the right hand of fellowship.

18. Missions was made the special order for the morning of the 20th.

19. The report on Temperance was read by E. E. George and after discussion by E. E. George, J. B. Shelton, J. A. Howard, J. R. Hogue, W. B. Crumpton, J. B. Lovelace, H. C. Sanders, W. W. Lee and J. W. Mitchel was adopted. (*See Item* 52.)

20. The following committee was appointed to report program for the rest of the session: W. W. Lee, J. I. Kendrick, J. B. Shelton.

21. Association adjourned till 9:30 p. m.

NIGHT SESSION.

22. Introductory sermon by Dr. P. G. Moness.

23. The report of the committee on Program was read and adopted.

24. Rev. E. E. George was invited to address the Association on the work at Alabama City, and took a cash collection amounting to $33.00.

25. Adjournment till 8:30, a. m., September 20th.

MORNING SESSION, SEPTEMBER 20TH.

26. Devotional exercises by E. E. George.

27. The moderator announced the following committees: J. C. Suttle, J. B. Lovelace, J. W. Mitchel on Apportionment; Jas I. Kendrick, J. W. Watley, D. W. Ward, J. M. Waters, J. A. McCrary on Nominations.

28. The clerk read a letter from Brother H. R. Schramm to the Association.

29 The report on Woman's and Young Peoples' Work, nothing ready, H. C. Sanders was invited to address the Association on the subject. He was followed by J. A. Howard, P. V. Bomar and E. P. George.

30. Report on State Missions was read by P. V. Bomar. (*See Item* 53.)

31 Report on Home Missions was read by J. W. Mitchel. (*See Item* 54.)

32 J. I. Kendrick read report on Foreign Missions sent by H. R. Schramm. (*See Item* 55.)

33. Following the reading of the reports the subject of Missions was discussed by J. I. Kendrick, P. V. Bomar, J. W. Mitchel, and W. W. Lee, and the reports were adopted.

34. The following correspondents were received: S. Smitherman and R. H. Pratt, from Shelby Association; A. J. Wooley from Mulberry Association.

35 Missionary sermon by P. V. Bomar at 11 a. m. Collection for Missions, cash $9 88

36 The following received as correspondents: A. G. Moseby, New Orleans; J. W. Stewart, Orphans' Home;

G. S. Anderson, Institute Board.

37. Report on Religious Literature was read by J. B. Shelton, and after discussion by J. B. Shelton, J. A. Howard was adopted. (*See Item* 56.)

37. Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

38. After prayer by the Moderator the body was called to order.

39. Report on the Orphans' Home was made by J. A. Howard and was discussed by J. A. Howard and J. W. Stewart and adopted. Collection $9.50. (*See Item* 57.)

40. Report on Education was read by W. W. Lee and adopted. (*See Item* 58.)

41. Report on Ministerial Education was read by E. E. George and after discussion by E. E. George was adopted. (*See Item* 59.)

42. Report on Institute Work was read by J. W. Haggard, and after discussion by Dr. G. S. Anderson and H. C. Sanders was adopted. (*See Item* 60.)

43. All speeches were limited to five minutes.

45. Report on Sunday Schools was read by H. C. Sanders and after remarks by H. C. Sanders was adopted. (*See Item* 61)

46. Report on Apportionment was presented by J. C Little and after being amended by instructing the clerk to add to the apportionment $100.00 for Institute Work was adopted. [*See Item* 62.]

47. Report on Nominations was read by J. I. Kendrick and adopted. [*See Item* 63.]

48. Report on Finance was presented by J. D. Frazer and adopted [*See Item* 64.]

49. RESOLVED— That the Clerk of the Association be allowed the usual amount for printing minutes and for his services.

50. RESOLVED—That the hearty thanks of this Association are due and are hereby tendered to the members of the Centreville Baptist Church and to the

citizens of Centreville for their generous and handsome entertainment.

51. Association adjourned to meet with Mt. Hebron Church in Hale County, September —, 1901.

W. W. Lee,
Clerk.

REPORTS READ AND ADOPTED.

Report on Temperance.

52. The admonition "Be temperate in all things" is indeed a wise one. All reasonable minded persons agree that the whisky traffic is the greatest power for evil in our land today. It encourages vice, destroys the happiness of homes, and dishonors God.

It is condemned of God, and has proven the greatest curse to our people. The influence of intemperance is felt in every enterprise. The money expended for tobacco and whiskey last year exceeded a billion of dollars. It would be alarming to state here the death rate caused by this evil, yet a great many of our Baptists encourage this curse by their patronage and their vote. Shame on the Christian guilty of such. We are pleased to see some of the business (combinations) enterprises are raising the standard that an intemperate young man cannot find employment. God speed the day when every corporation and business enterprise will adopt that measure.

We are pleased to note the change for the better wrought by the dispensary of one of our towns within our association. The open saloon is such a curse. We see anything that will diminish the sale of whiskey will prove a blessing.

Brethren let us by our efforts and example legislate and establish laws that will stop this God-dishonoring curse.

Respectfully Submitted,
E. P. George, Chairman.

Report on State Missions.

53. Our State Mission Board is now in its 25th year, and the work is in a most encouraging condition. We all believe in our faithful Secretary, Bro. W. B. Crumpton, and have the greatest confidence in his wisdom and that of the Board. Progress was reported at the last State Convention both in the number of employees and in the work done, and we expect a report of even greater progress at the meeting of the next Convention in Tuscaloosa.

The desire and aim of the Board is to occupy the centers of population, for these are the centers of influence both good and bad, but at the same time the strive not to neglect the country places.

Especial attention is now being paid by the missionaries to the organization and encouragement of Sunday Schools. The importance of this can be readily seen, for the boys and girls, now more easily influenced for good or bad than at any other time, will soon be grown men and women

Bible and Colportage work has not been forgotten Many pastors have taken Bibles and Testaments on sale for the Board with the understanding that they are to donate where parties are unable to purchase. Besides some of the missionaries employed by the Associations as well as the Board Missionaries have received from the Board an appropriation of Bibles, and some brethren are acting as colporters for a part of their time.

In the furtherance of this work grateful mention is made of a donation of $300.00 worth of Bibles and Testaments from the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn.

It is readily seen then how great is the work of the State Mission Board, and the greater progress Alabama makes along material lines the more pressing the need of work to be done. Whether in the work of the Lord we keep up with the advance made along other lines depends to a very great extent upon the support we give to our State work. The work suffers from a lack of means more than anything else.

It should be borne in mind that besides all done for State Missions directly Secretary Crumpton is continually laboring by word and deed, by tract and speech, to deepen and widen the interest in Home and Foreign Missions, and much of the increased contributions from Alabama to these causes are due directly to these efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul V. Bomar.

54. This has been one of the most eventful years in the history of our Home Board. Great political changes, the enlarging of our borders, the agitation of the doctrine of expansion, the great influx of a foreign population, the new isms that are spreading among our people, the crying needs on every hand, have suggested an enlarged policy on the part of our Board, the entering of new doors, the appeal for greater help from our churchus, and the preaching with a greater enthusiasm the doctrine of religious expansion.

The Home Board, which may be considered to be included under the all-embracing passage: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth," finds its field of action in "Jerusalem," the home city, in "all Judea." the home country, and in "Samaria," the next door neighbor.

The Board is pushing the work as best it can with present facilities, first, in *our mountain region*, which comprises part of the States of Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky and Virginia; second, among *our negro population*, about eight millions in number; third, *on our frontier*, a field roughly estimated as being one thousand miles long, and five hundred miles wide; fourth, *in Cuba*, whose suffering and down-trodden pesple have recently been delivered from a terrible political bondage. It is ours to deliver them from a more terrible enslavement, the bondage of sin, of superstition, and priest-craft, by preaching unto them Christ who will make them free indeed.

What has been accomplished in these different sections of our Home Field the following facts will partially show:

The Board during the past conventional year employed 653 missionaries, 14 less than the year preceding, but there were 6,552 baptisms, against 4,739 the previous year.

The total additions to the churches during the past year were 12,983, against 9509 the preceding year.

Alabama, in co-operation with the Board, had 22 missionaries and 220 baptisms.

The amount raised and expended on the field for Home Missions during the past year was $65,818.81, an increase of about $1,500 over the preceding year.

The total amount raised on the field, including amount collected and expended in building houses of worship is $115,869.14, against $110,636.50 the previous year, an increase of $5,232.64.

The total cash received by the Board from from the States is $61,794.58, an increase of $7,744.17 over the previous year. Of this amount Alabama contributed $9,704.46.

Twelve of the States show an increase in contributions of from $100 to $2,000 over last year, while only four show a slight decrease.

We would call special attention to the noble work of our women in their co-operation with the Board. Their total contributions for the past conventional year amounted to $36,696.73, which shows an increase of more than $1,000 over the previous year.

We would urge a larger sympathy, a more hearty co-operation, a most loyal support, in this grand work of evangelizing our home people. From this country as a center, rediating influences are going out into the uttermost part of the earth.

Support Home Missions and thus you help Foreign Missions. *Give* to Home Missions and thus you cultivate the spirit of giving for Foreign Missions. *Pray* for Home Missions and you cannot keep back the prayer that will inevitably spring up in the heart for the complete evangelization of the whole world.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. MITCHELL,
Chairman.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

55. A new impulse has struck the Foreign Mission question and people are viewing it differently than they once looked upon it. And should it not arrest the attention of every one when it is the oldest question. It was this question that was discussed in the councel chambers of eternity where the first Mission Board was formed and the Father, Son and Holy Spirit were present. The work first to be done was that of Foreign Mission Work, and the Son was the first Foreign Missionary sent to this foreign country, earth, to bring the good news of salvation to a lost world. Thus we see that Foreign Missions had its birth in Heaven

This work began by Christ has spread until millions have been saved through the Foreign Missionary, and many millions are yet to be saved through Foreign Mission Work. The Southern Baptist Convention has missionaries in the following places: Southern, Central and Northern China, Japan, Brazil, Mexico, Italy, Africa, and these missionaries have done and are doing faithful work, and God has blessed and is blessing their labors. Last year there were baptised on the Foreign Field over 13,000 souls the largest number ever baptised in any year. The Board sent out sixteen new missionaries last conventional year and have appointed six more since the meeting of the convention.

Foreign Missions should be pressed as never before. We owe what we are as Baptists to Foreign Missions for it has increased our number in less than a hundred years to four millions. Our educational advantages have been greatly improved by Foreign Misslons. In 1813 we had only one college, Brown University, when Luther Rice came back from India and stirred the churches on Foreign Missions. Now we have one hundred and sixty-nine col-

leges, seminaries and universities. The number added to the different denominations last year were 83,895. This work was done by 13,607 missionaries and 73,613 native helpers. The number of communicants reported on the Foreign Field 1,289,298. The number of Sunday schools on Foreign Fields 14,940 with a membership of 764,684. These statistics from the various denominations show plainly that the Foreign Mission work is not a failure and the native contributions amounts to 183;398,100. This shows how liberal the natives are and should stimulate us to greater giving. The China war should not retard missions on the Foreign Fields but stimulate us to more liberal giving. We can't afford to give up China. No ! No ! Let us be more determined than ever to win China for Christ. The Southern Baptist Convention at Hot Springs, Ark., raised the per cent still higher than the Convention at Louisville, and as the sum of $140,000 was raised last year for Foreign Missions, this year the convention suggest that we raise $200,000, and this can easily be done if every member will give something. I suggest that every church in our association at its next conference appoint one of her members to canvass the membership and solicit a contribution for missions- By this means a larger sum can be raised than by our present system. Let this be collected monthly and turn over to the Treasurer to forward to the State Board of Missions at Montgomery, or if desirable direct to the Board at Richmond, Atlanta and Montgomery.

I suggest that this member thus elected supply his or herself with mission tracts which our Boards will furnish free and distribute to the membership. I would suggest that the members take and read the Foreign Mission Journal which is published by the Foreign Mission Board of Richmond, Va., 35cts single copy, and 25cts in clubs of 10. It is a journal full of valuable information. We should be profoundly grateful to God that the lives of our noble missionaries of this association Bro. J. W. McCollum and wife have been spared and they have been permitted to do a great work. Also that Miss Willie Kelly in China has not been hurt.

I recommend that the apportionment committee apportion the additional amount to the churches asked by the Foreign Board to make the $200,000 for this year Let us all pray that more of our young men and women may offer themselves to the Board. Many have already offered. And let us pray also that money may be given to the Board to send all that the Lord shall call to the work. Out of every dollar contributed 87 cents reached the Foreign Field.

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. SCHRAMM.

Report on Literature.

56. One of the most potent factors in the formation and crystalization of human character is good literature. The character of whole communities is often changed by the establishing of a circulating library of good books, while on the other hand it often occurs that the moral standard of communities is very low by virtue of the circulation of bad books. Not only do we see the result of good or bad books in this general way but more specifically is it felt upon the individual. Often has it been that a book, paper or tract put into the hands of a boy or girl has influenced the remainder of his life. The eternal destiny of your child's soul may hinge upon the kind of literature you place in your home.

How often have we heard it said that one tract or book has wrought a revolution in men's way of thinking. It is not the literature that costs the fewest cents and dollars that is the cheapest and best, but the literature that leads us to the Bible life, although it may cost more in cents and dollars, is by far the cheaper. We can not count the cost when our soul's destiny is at stake, by cents and dollars.

We Baptists can no longer refuse to give good literature to our children because it costs too much, since we have the Sunday School Board, of Nashville, which is not only giving us the best Sunday School literature but is also publishing and sending out many good books at very reasonable prices.

We would recommend that every family take and read the Alabama Baptist. It comes to us once a week as a family letter, telling us all about the big family of Baptists in Alabama. We would further recommend that each Sunday School endeavor to have a library, although it has to be started with only a few books, it will soon accomplish great good.

We should be as careful in the selection of books for our children and home as one of their associates.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Bass Shelton.

Report on Orphans' Home.

57. Our Orphans' Home was begun little more than seven years ago. Its beginning was very humble, and it has not been without its trials, but the blessing of the Lord has been upon it. Since it began there have been gathered into it one hundred and thirty-six children from thirty counties.

2 boys and 4 girls have died, 2 boys have been apprenticed, 2 boys and 1 girl have been irregularly discharged, 13 boys and 18 girls have been returned to their people. 15 boys and 14 girls have been adopted, leaving in the Home 29 boys and 36 girls.

The boys work on the farm and the girls do various kinds of housework. Their domestic and religious life are well looked after, and their industrial training is intended to fit them for usefulness in life

Their urgent, special need is another building so that the children can be properly cared for when they are sick, and isolated in case of contagious diseases. It takes about $10.00 a day for their general support, and they have no income except the free-will offerings of the friends of these children.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. A. Howard, Chairman.

Report on Education.

58. Generally in writing a report on education our committees only report the work of the Judson, Howard and the Theological Seminary. It is true that these are our Institutions and come under our immediate observation. But your committee understands that a report on Education means Education in general, and we observe that the educational interest in the rural district is growing, that is in some localities. They have done away with the old log houses and built nice comfortable frame buildings, instead of split log seats they have desks and comfortable seats; and men and women are employed to teach in these schools who have had college training and who feel an interest in the development of both the heart and mind of the children that are under their care. In such schools an ambition is awakened for a more thorough education in consequence of which our colleges are filled. But where some committees are advocating along this line thare are others that are yet asleep and your committee suggests that those that are asleep and so far behind that they awake and make every effort possible to educate their children at home to give them a foundation on which to build and then send them to the colleges. For the time has come that people must be educated.

Respectfully submited,
J. A. McCrary.

Report on Ministerial Education.

59 Every thoughtful mind realizes the necessity of an educated ministry. We all agree that education is a necessity to ensure success in other vocations, then is it not murch more important that the preacher should be a man of trained mind.

If he be a man of ordinary endowments, his only hope of a successful career lies in a good use of his opportunities for education; for we know "He that soweth sparingly, shall reap sparingly."

Christ spent all his life save the last three and a half years in

preparation for those three years work. And if Timothy would show himself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed he must study. The character of the preacher's environment makes it all the more needful that he should be educated. The world out of Christ is craving the gospel; this demand must be supported through an educated ministry.

The pastors of our churches are the divinely appointed teachers in the church and the character of their leadership, more than any other human element, will determine the power and dignity of the church. As Baptists we have much to be thankful for in our rapidly increasing number of educated ministers and the remarkable growth and development of our denomination, but with the spirit of education which characterizes all the evangelical denominations how soon we would be left in the rear if we should neglect the education of our sons in the ministry.

The character and scope of the preachers work emphasize the necessity of education. What calling is more worthy the best there is in a man than the gospel ministry? Think too of the scope of the preacher's work. His message is one of universal interest. Christianity was instituted to touch and uplift human life at every point. It extends a beneficient hand to the individual, to the family, society and the nation. The pastor of church is no less a citizen of the commonwealth, and the true preacher should be as his Lord who not only taught in the temple, but went about doing good; who is sufficient for these things.

If Paul with a trained mind and illuminated with the Holy Ghost, shrank from the responsibility of so high a calling shall we content our selves with any thing less than the best possible preparations. The time was when the ministry of this country were compelled to do the best they could, with little or no school training. God bless the pioneer preachers! Many of their names were never written save in Heaven's register.

But that day is past. With Howard College at East Lake and the Seminary at Louisville no young man who is called of God to preach the gospel should enter upon this great work unprepared.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. GEORGE.

REPORT ON INSTITUTE WORK.

60. The Institute work was organized by the late Dr. D. J. Purser, at East Lake, in 1889. It is now a part of the denominational work prosecuted under the auspices of the State Convention.

We learn from the minutes of the State Convention that 14 Institutes were held during the year, attended by 188 preachers. About $2700.00 were expended in the work in which three laborers were employed.

The effort is primarily addressed to the unhelped ministry hundreds of whom have and are being reached and helped. It is one of our most important interests and should be heartily supported by our churches. We recommend that $100 00 be apportioned among the churches for this Board, and also that the churches that have not contribed this year be requested to make their contribution prior to November 1st, 1900. This is suggested to help the Board meet the obligation to Brother D. L. Lewis who has given $1,000.00 to the work on condition the denomination raise another $1,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. HAGGARD.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

61. "As Thou hast sent me into the world even so have I also sent them into the world."

"Ye are the salt of the earth."

"Ye are the light of the world."

"Let your light so shine before men that others may see your good works and glorify your Father who art in heaven."

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel unto every creature."

With this world-wide commission from a world-wide God we are to go into the highways and hedges and invite men and women to Christ. I know of no agency so well adapted to this work as the Sunday School To tell you what this work has done or is now doing for the Master's cause would only be a reflection on the intelligence of this body. The reasen more, yes a thousand times more, has not been done, is because of a want of more consecrated Godly men and women as teachers. When our teachers learn to go from their knees to their classes after a prayerful study of the lesson during the week, the world will feel the power of the Sunday School as never before. Our great failure heretofore has been we have depended more on our own strength than the strength and power of the Holy Spirit. When the Sunday School has taken on a spiritnal cast rather than a social cast the world will find its power.

Respectfully submitted,
H. C. SANDERS.

Report on Apportionment.

62. Your committee on Apportionments beg to report the following amounts to be raised by the churches, viz:

	Missions.	Orphanage.
Antioch	$ 10.00,	$ 5.00.
Bethel	45.00,	15 00.
Bethlehem	18.00,	5.00.
Centreville	45.00,	10.00.
Concord	45.00,	5.00.
Ephesus	18.00,	5.00.
Fellowship (Perry Co.).	45.00,	15.00
Fellowship (Dallas Co.)	45.00,	10.00.
Friendship	25.00,	5.00.
Gallion	200 00,	25 00.
Greensboro	15.00,	10.00.
Harmony	10.00,	5 00.
Hepziba	45.00,	5.00.
Hopewell	90.00,	20.00.
Macedonia	35.00,	5.00.
Mar's Hill	15.00,	5.00.
Medline	15.00.	5.00.
Mt. Gilead	45.00,	5.00.
Mt. Hebron	20.00.	5.00.
Mt. Olive	18.00,	5.00.
Mt. Zion	35.00,	10.00.
Newbern	90.00,	30.00.
New Hope	35 00,	5.00.
New Shiloh	45.00,	12.50.
Oak Grove	45.00,	5.00.
Ocmulge	50.00,	15.00.
Pine Flat	50.00,	15.00.
Pine Grove	12.00,	5.00.
Pisgah	50.00,	15.00.
Sardis	18.00.	5.00.
Siloam	300.00,	60.00.
Stewart Station	40.00,	5.00.
Union	45.00,	5.00,
Uniontown	150.00,	25.00.
Moundville	5.00,	5.00.

For Ministerial Education.

Antioch $3.00; Bethel $10.00; Bethlehem $5.00; Centreville $5.00, Concord $5 00; Ephesus $5.00; Fellowship (Perry) $5.00; Fellowship (Dallas) $5.00; Friendship $5.00; Gallion $20.00; Greensboro $5.00; Harmony $3.00; Hepzibah $5.00: Hopewell $15.00; Macedonia $5.00; Mars Hill $5.00; Medline $3 00; Mt. Gilead $5.00; Mt. Hebron $3.00; Mt. Olive $3.00: Mt. Zion $10 00; Newbern $15.00; New Hope $5.00; New Shiloh $10.00; Oak Grove $5.00; Ocmulge $10.00; Pine Flat $10.00; Pine Grove $3.00; Pisgah $10.00; Sardis $3.00; Siloam 50.00; Stewart Station $5.00; Union $6.00; Uniontown $20.00.

We also recommend that the churches make a regular contribution to the Institute Board, and urge the churches to contribute not less than one hundred dollars to the Board between now and first of November and forward to the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C Suttle, Chairman.

Report on Nominations.

63. Delegates to State Convention—P. V. Bomar, J. W. Mitchell. J. W. Dunaway, H. R Schramm, W. W. Lee, J. I. Kendrick, Col. J. T. Murfee, J. G. Dickinson J. B. Lovelace.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention—W. W. Lee. Alternate, H. R. Schramm.

We suggest that we meet with Mt. Hebron church on Wednesday after the 2nd Sunday in October 1901. To preach Introductory Sermon, W. W. Lee; Alternate, Paul V. Bomar. To preach Missionary Sermon, J. G. Dickinson; Alternate J. W. Dunaway. We submit the following program:

Report on State Missions—J. B. Lovelace.
Report on Home Missions—J. B. Shelton.
Report on Foreign Missions—W. W. Lee.
Report on Sunday Schools—J. W. Mitchell.
Report on Orphans' Home—H. R. Schramm.
Report on Womans' and Young Peoples Work—J. G. Dickinson.
Report on Literature—H. C. Sanders.
Report on Temperance—D. W. Ward.
Report on Education—J. T. Murfee.
Report on Ministerial Education—J. A. McCrary.
Report on Institute Work—J. A. Howard.

Respectfully submitted,
J. I. Kendrick,
J. W. Whatley,
D. W, Ward,
J. M. Walters,
J. A. McCrary.

Report on Finance.

64. We your committee on Finance beg to submit the following: We find upon casting up, $293.01 in cash for all purposes fostered by the Association. We also find $6.45, balance over tabulated statement, and we, the committee, recommend that same be appropriated to Orphans' Home.

Respectfully submitted,
Jno. Curb,
D. J. Frazer,
Jno. R. Hogue,
Seaborn Fuller.

STATISTICS OF CAHABA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1900.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CHURCH CLERKS.	CLERK'S P. O.	Membership Last Reported.	Increase.				Decrease.					Present Membership.	S. S. Teachers and Officers.	Scholars Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	No. Baptisms from S. S.	Preaching Sabbaths.
					Baptism.	Letter.	Statement.	Restoration.	Total.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Erasure.	Deaths.	Total.						
Antioch	J. W. Haggard	W. F. Rhodes	Greensboro	17	1				1	3			1	4	14	3	20	18		1st
Bethel	J. W. Mitchell	J. P. Harris	Harrisburg.		1					4				4	91					3rd
Centreville	J. B. Shelton	J. C. Suttle	Vick.	59		1			1				1	1	59					1 &3
Concord	J. W. Dunaway.	T. S. Bolling.	Sprotts..	76	6	2	2		10	1	1		2	4	82	8	68	40	6	4th
Ephesus	W. H. Connell	J. C. Taylor	Theo	100							6		4	10	90	5	30	20		3rd
Fellowship (D)	J. W. Dunaway.	E. W. Bailey.	Plantersville	227	4				4		1		5	6	225					3rd
Fellowship (P)	J. W. Mitchell	E. C. Carter	Curbville	116	3	1		1	5	3			2	5	116	7	50	35	1	2nd
Gallion	J. G. Dickinson.	J. H. Davies	Gallion	42	15	1			16			1		1	57	8	45	40	15	2nd
Greensboro	W. W. Lee.	T. B. Ward	Greensboro	39	6	4			10	4				4	45	6		25		2nd
Harmony	J. W. Haggard	D. S Griffin	Greensboro	13											13					3rd
Hepzibah																				
Hopewell	J. I. Kendrick.	Emmett Pope	Folsom	71	2	3			5				2	2	74	7	50	30		1 &3
Macedonia	H. R. Schramm.	J. E. Chandler	Havana	50		1			1	1			3	4	47	7	41	35		4th
Moundville	H. R. Schramm.	L. A. Hester	Moundville.																	3rd
Mt. Gilead.	J. W Mitchell	J. W. Stewart	Abercrombie.	58	3				3						61	5	30	20	2	1st
Mt. Hebron.	H. R. Schramm.	J. J. Stivender.	Akron.	37	1	2		1	4				2	2	39	6	35			4th
Mt. Olive	W. H. Connell	W. M. Hughes	Adler	82	1				1	2			1	3	80	3	20			3rd
Newbern	J. I. Kendrick	Smith Anderson	Newbern.	46	1	1			2						47	9	34	29		2nd
New Hope																				
New Shiloh	J. W. Dunaway.	W. T. Pierson	Perryville	45						5		3		8	37	3	30	16		2nd
Ocmulge	J. A. McCrary.	W. R. Hansen	Perryville	75	2	5		2	9	2			1	3	81	3	35	25	1	2nd
Oak Grove.																				
Pine Flat	J. W. Dunaway.	R. L. Potts	Perryville	89	8	1		1	10	5			1	6	93	7	66	35		1st
Pisgah	J. W. Dunaway.	S. J. Fuller.	Perryville	114	11	6		17	34	4	32	1	2	36	109	6	50	35	4	4th
Sardis																				
Siloam	Paul V. Bomar.	Dr. J. P. Haley	Marion	237	7	14			21	14			2	16	242	19	173	98	4	All.
Stewart Station	H. R. Schramm.	E. D. Avery.	Havana.	18		2			2	1			4	5	15					2nd
Union	W. W. Lee.	H. T. Stringfellow	Greensboro	69				1	1	3			1	4	66					1st
Uniontown																				1st
Friendship	W. H. Connell	E. H. Littlejohn	Ocmulge	105	2				2	20	1		3	24	83					1st
Mt. Zion	S. Smitherman	J. N. C. Brown	Centreville	42							3			3	39					
Mars Hill	W. A. McCrary.	W. F. Lister	Marion	37	3				3						40	7	25	15	3	
Bethlehem	S. Smitherman.	L. G. Warren	Bethlehem.	115						3		1	2	6	109					
Pine Grove	J. W. Haggard.	John Locke.	Jericho.	48	1	2			3	13	1		2	16	35	4	30	15		4th
TOTAL				2127	78	46	2	23	148	88	45	6	41	178	2089	123	832	551	36	

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF CAHABA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, 1900.

CHURCHES.	COUNTY.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Buildings not at Home.	Associational.	Bible and Colportage.	Ministerial Education.	College Building.	Ladies' Aid and Sunbeams	Orphans' Home.	Minutes.	Pastor's Salary.	Repairs and New Building.	Poor, Fuel, Sunday School Etc.	Institute Work.	Value of Church Buildings.	India Sufferers.
Antioch	Hale	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ .50	$ 50.00	$ 4.50	$	$	$ 300.00	$
Bethel	Bibb	5.87	9.36	9.76				5.00			9.30	1.50					1000.00	
Centreville	"	7.35	7.35	7.30		.50		5.00			5.00	1.00	150.00				1500.00	
Concord	Perry	2.32	2.32	2.34		1.00					5.00	.50	100.00				1000.00	
Ephesus	"		2.65	5.00		1.00					5.00	.50	75.00		4.53		200.00	
Fellowship (D)	Dallas	7.00	9.52	12.30		2.00		25.00			31.86	1.00	150.00				500.00	
Fellowship (P)	Perry	6.00	6.00	10.15		1.00		.00			10.00	1.00	116.00		15.00	2.00	500.00	
Gallion	Hale	22.00	15.00	10.00		.50		15.00	10.00		30.00	1.00	330.00		29.00		2000.00	
Greensboro	"	10.00	5.00	10.00								.50	25.00				400.00	
Harmony	Perry	3.00	3.00	2.00				5.17			5.00	1.00	150.00	1625.00	25.00		5000.00	
Hepzibah	"																	
Hopewell	"	27.98	15.48	15.48		1.00		15.00			15.00	.50	400.00	25.00	45.00	V	1000.00	V
Macedonia	Hale	1.63	1.84	2.30		1.00		3.50				1.00	100.00		3.00	.50	400.00	6.20
Medline	Perry																	
Moundville	Hale	1.75	1.67	2.08							10.83							1.55
Mt. Gilead	Perry	3.00	3.00	4.50		2.00		2.00			3.75	1.00	105.00		3.00		800.00	
Mt. Hebron	Hale	7.88	2.69	5.11		.50		3.00			5.06	1.00	100.00		3.00		800.00	1.06
Mt. Olive	Perry	2.00	2.40	2.00				2.05			2.10	1.00	50.00				350.00	
Newbern	Hale	13.35	10.47	15.47		1.00		10.66		94.09	57.78	1.00	200.00		44.34		1000.00	
New Hope	"																	
New Shiloh	Perry	3.00	3.35	3.70		.50					10.00	.50	130.60		2.40		1000.00	
Ocmulge	"	5.00	4.17	5.00		1.00		5.00			10.00	.50	100.00				400.00	
Oak Grove	"																	
Pine Flat	"	5.00	2.67	5.00	5.00	.50	5.00	9.85			8.53	1.00	150.00		9.65		500.00	
Pisgah	"	10.53	6.00	8.00	2.00	.50		5.00			20.00	1.00	200.00		5.00		1000.00	
Sardis	"																	
Siloam	"	123.46	46.85	82.78	470.80	2.50		22.16			39.09	2.50	1295.05			V	9000.00	
Stewart Station	Hale	2.14	6.25	6.15		.50		5.00	5.00		4.40	.50				1.00		1.56
Union	"	2.80									.55			2.00				
Uniontown	Perry																	
Friendship	"	1.00	.50	.50		.50						1.00					250.00	
Mt. Zion	Bibb	2.50	2.50			1.00		3.12			2.50	.50	65.00				600.00	
Mars Hill	Perry			2.00		1.00					5.00	.50	35.35	40.00	5.00		500.00	
Bethlehem	"	.44	.44	.45		.45					45	1.00						
Pine Grove	"	.46	.46	.46		.75						.20	50.00			V	100.00	
TOTAL		270.46	174.54	229.83	477.80	20.70	5.00	120.89	15.00	94.09	232.53	23.20	5,525.25	1890.00	223.02	3.50	9600.00	10.37

NOTE—State Missions, Cash $35.95, Vouchers $234.51; Home Missions, Cash $38.93, Vouchers $135.61; Foreign Missions, Cash $48.73, Vouchers $181.10; Ministerial Education, Cash $30.27, Vouchers $90.62; Orphans' Home, Cash $85.78, Vouchers $146.75.

Order of Business.

1. Call to Order.
2. Reading of Letters.
3. Organization.
4. Receive Correspondents.
5. Introductory Sermon.
6. Report on Education.
7. Report on Missions.
8. Report on Sabbath Schools.
9. Report on Woman's and Young People's Work.
10. Report on Literature.
11. Report on Temperance.
12. Report on Orphanage.
13. Reports of Special Committees.
14. Adjournment.

Next session of the Association meets with Mt. Hebron Church, on Wednesday, October 16th, 1901.